

Pallivasal Hydro Electric Scheme.

160. *MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN: Will the Government be pleased to state;

(a) whether, in connection with the Pallivasal Hydro Electric Scheme, a power house is now being newly built;

(b) if so, to whom was its contract given and whether it was given after inviting tenders for it;

(c) whether its construction is being continued from Meenam 1113, if not the reason therefor;

(d) the period by which the Government expect the construction of the power house to be completed;

(e) the date stipulated in the contract for the completion of the power house;

(f) whether Mr. L. H. Jacob, Executive Engineer, Quilon has also been appointed in connection with the Pallivasal Hydro Electric works in addition to a special residential Engineer; and

(g) if so, its necessity?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: (a) Yes.

(b) The contract was given to Messrs. General Construction Co., after inviting tenders.

(c) No. Construction of the building was suspended some time to settle the rates for certain items of extra work. The work was resumed from the middle of Medom 1113 i. e., 1st May 1938.

(d) End of Medom 1114/Middle of May 1939.

(e) By 5th February 1939 i. e., end of Makaram 1114.

(f) No.

(g) This question does not arise in view of the answer to part (f)

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from the Government the reasons which weighed with Government for the appointment of a special Commissioner to enquire into the official conduct of the Resident Engineer?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: Sir, I may say that matter is *sub judice*.

PRESIDENT: Order, order. An enquiry is pending now and the matter is *sub judice*. The result of the enquiry will follow soon.

Bridges built since Mr. Truscott became Chief Engineer.

161. *MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement giving information on the following points in connection with the bridges built at a cost of over Rs. 20,000 since Mr. Truscott became the Chief Engineer of Travancore;

(i) the names of the bridges

(ii) the roads on which and the mile stones between which they stand;

(iii) the persons to whom the contracts for constructing them were or are given; and

(iv) of the bridges thus constructed, those which have been completed without any defects?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT : (i) to (iv) A *statement giving the particulars required is laid on the table.

Kuruppumpadi-Kootikal road.

162. *MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha cum Devicolum*) : Will the Government be pleased to state in view of the answer furnished to question No. 1 (e), (f) and (g) in the last session of the Assembly on 22-11-1937 ;

(a) whether any accurate estimate has been prepared and submitted to them since that date, for the extension of the Kuruppampadi-Kootikal road beyond its sixth mile (in Alwaye Division);

(b) if so, the amount estimated ; and

(c) the date when Government called for an accurate estimate of the work ;

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT : (a) No.

(b) This question does not arise in view of answer to part (a).

(c) 13-11-1935.

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM : May I know the reason for the long delay ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT : This has been sent to the Division Officer who replied that the 1st Section should be improved before any further extension is taken up.

Abolition of the market tolls.

163. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether they have made any statement in the Sri Mulam Assembly during the last Budget Session regarding the abolition of the market tolls on head loads and hand loads taken to the public markets ; and

(b) the action taken in the matter by the Government ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) :

(a) Yes.

(b) The matter is under consideration and the question will be shortly decided.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : May I know from the Government whether any decision has been arrived at with regard to this matter of the abolition of market tolls ?

MR. K. GEORGE : Sir, the matter will be decided soon.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : Sir, my question is this. Let me have from the Government the reasons for the long delay of more than one year ?

MR. K. GEORGE : I confess that there was some delay on my part. I submitted a recommendation to Government only recently.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : May I know whether the Government are aware that they are being collected by the licensees of the private markets in the State ?

* *Vide Appendix IV.*

Appendix III.

Vide Answer to Question No 159.

Statement by caste of persons from outside Travancore appointed in the University before 15-1-1938.

Name.	Caste.	Pay before appointment in the University.	Present pay.	Period for which appointed.
Dr. H. Parameswaran	Tamil Brahmin	B. Rs. 900	B. Rs 1200	For 1 year from 4-12-1937
Dr. Jayaram Cousins	Hindu	...	B. Rs. 700	For 1 year from 1-7-1937

Appendix IV.

Vide Answer to Question No 161

Bridges built since Mr. Truscott became Chief Engineer.

Names of the Bridges.	The roads on which and the mile stones between which they stand.	The persons to whom contracts for constructing the bridges were or are given.	Defects if any
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Nagercoil Division.

1. Suchindram Bridge	Between 45th and 46th mile stones Cape Road.	Messrs. P. M. Mani & Co., Trivandrum.	No defects.
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Trivandrum Division.

2. Mamn Bridge.	Between 18th and 19th mile stones T. Q. Road.	Mr. P. I. Gopalan Nair.	Do.
3. Vamana-param Bridge	Between 20th and 21st mile stones M. C. Road.	Mr. R. Kesava Pillai.	Do.

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Trivandrum Division (contd.)

4. Jagathy Bridge.	1st mile on the road from Cantonment to Poojapura.	Messrs. J. C. Gammon & Co., Ltd., Bombay.	No debts.
5. Thiruvallam Bridge.	Between 2nd and 3rd mile stones on the road from East Fort to Thiruvallam.	Mr. N. O. Francis	Do.
6. Pangode Bridge.	1st mile Cotton Hill Kundan-kadavu road.	Mr. P. I. Gopalan Nair.	Under construction

Quilon Division.

7. Kayamkulam Bridge.	Between 24th and 25th mile stones Quilon Alleppey Road.	Bridge proper to Messrs. J. C. Gammon & Co., and approaches to Mr. K. G. Parameswaran Pillai.	No defects.
8. Kannali-palam	Between 38th and 39th mile stones Quilon Alleppey Road.	Do.	Slight defects in the abutment found out have been rectified. No defect now.

Kottayam Division.

9. Chungam Bridge.	1st mile 1st fur-long in Kottayam Parrippu Road.	Mr E. M. Chacko and after his death his son Mr. E. C. Mathew.	No defects.
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Alwaye Division.

10. Perumbavoor Bridge.	1st mile 8th fur-long Perumbavoor Alwaye Road.	Bridge proper to Messrs. J. C. Gammon & Co. Ltd., and approaches to Mr. P. I. Gopalan Nair.	Slight hair cracks in the wearing coat and they are being rectified
11. Alwaye Bridge.	1st mile Alwaye Parur	Messrs. J. C. Gammon & Co., Ltd.	Under construction.